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1. THE SINGLE MOST TROUBLING ASPECT, FRON THE POINT OF VIEW OF PERSONAL SECURITY, OF THE "CAMBIO 16" ARTICLE IS OF COURSE THE IDENTIFICATION OF NINE OFFICIALS. EVEN WORSE, THE ARTICLE IMPLIES THAT 2 OFFICERS, ROBERT GAHAGEN AND WILLIAM A.K. JONES, WERE INVOLVED WITH BRAZILIAN AND VIETNAMESE SECURITY SERVICES IN TORTURE OR BRUTALITY. THE RELEVANT QUOTES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

-- GAHAGEN: "AN EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE IN CLANDESTINE OPERATIONS DEVELOPED IN BRAZIL DURING THE LAST HALF OF THE 50'S AND THE GOLPE IN 1964. HE ASCENDED TO THE POST OF CHIEF OF STATION IN BRAZIL WHERE HE MAINTAINED CLOSE RELATIONS WITH THE MILITARY AND BRAZILIAN POLICE ACCUSED - INCLUDING BY THE POPE - OF NUMEROUS TORTURES AND ATROCITIES."

-- JONES. DURING "/THE TIMES OF WAR IN VIET-NAM HE SERVED AS PUBLIC SECURITY ADVISOR WITH THE NORTH AMERICAN AID MISSION IN SAIGON DURING THE YEARS 1959-60. HE IS ONE OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR A PREPARATION OF A POLICE FORCE THAT BECAME FAMOUS FOR ITS TORTURE, TIGER CAGES AND STRATEGIC HAMLETS."

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